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COMMITTEE MEETING

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- 11. (SBU) PolOff delivered reftel points and U.S. proposed papers to the MFA's Multilateral Affairs Directorate on April 23, 2008. We received a response on April 30 from Lourdes Puma, MFA Director General of Multilateral Affairs, who had been previously unavailable due to travel and her participation in the EU-Andean Community negotiations.
- 12. (SBU) Puma said that Ecuador was unable to attend the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) Preparatory Committee (PrepCom) meeting due to limited resources. She said that she had not yet reviewed the documentation, and wanted the opportunity to do so before making any comments, promising to contact us thereafter with any questions or comments. Post will follow up at a later date to clarify the GOE's position. Jewell